Application No.: 09/974,575 Docket No.: 59182/P016US/10107827

### **REMARKS**

## I. General

Claims 2-9 and 11-28 are currently pending, claims 1 and 10 are canceled without prejudice, and claim 2 is amended by this response. The issues in the Office Action mailed July 18, 2005 are as follows:

- Claims 1 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over
  U.S. Patent 5,682,187 (hereinafter, Dwarakanath).
- Claims 3-9 and 11-27 are allowed.
- Claim 2 is objected to for depending upon a rejected base claim, but is otherwise indicated as allowable.

## II. Claim Amendments

Claim 2 is amended to include the limitations of claim 1. Thus, no new matter is added. This amendment is not in response to any art, nor does it narrow the scope of claim 2.

#### III. Objections to Claims

Claim 2 is objected to for depending upon a rejected base claim, but is otherwise indicated as allowable. Applicant thanks the Examiner for this indication of allowable subject matter. Applicant has amended claim 2 to include the limitations of claim 1. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the objection to claim 2 be withdrawn.

## IV. Status of Claim 28

The Office Action of July 18, 2005 does not address claim 28. However, it is believed that the Examiner intended to indicate claim 28 as allowed, at least because claim 28 depends from allowed claim 18. Applicant requests a full opportunity to respond to any objection or rejection should Applicant be mistaken.

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# V. Claim Rejections

Claims 1 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over Dwarakanath. The rejection is obviated by the cancellation of claims 1 and 10. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the pending claims be passed to issue.

## VI. Conclusion

In view of the above amendment, Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes that no fee is due with this response. However, if any fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2380, under Order No. 59182/P016US/10107827 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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